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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Post Office Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 4, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claims as set forth in the Appendix A attached hereto.